## H. R. 273.

## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,

June 1, 1852.

Mr. Hall, from the Committee on Public Lands, reported the following bill; which was read twice and committed to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

## A BILL

Making further provision for the satisfaction of Virginia military land warrants.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Represen-1 tatives of the United States of America in Congress 2 assembled, That the further quantity of eight hundred and 3 fifty thousand acres of land in addition to the quantities 4 heretofore appropriated by the second section of the act 5 of Congress entitled "An act making appropriations for 6 the civil and diplomatic expenses of the government for 7 the year one thousand eight hundred and thirty-five," ap-8 proved the third day of March eighteen hundred and thirty-9 five, and by other acts therein recited, be and the same are 10 hereby appropriated to be applied to the satisfaction of 11 such Virginia military land warrants as have issued since 12 the first day of September, eighteen hundred and thirty-13 five, and of such as issued before the first day of January, 14

eighteen hundred and fifty-two.

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SECT. 2. And be it further enacted, That certificates 1 of scrip shall issue from the Department of the Interior in 2 3 satisfaction of said warrants and be receivable in payment for any of the public lands liable to sale at private entry, 4 in like manner as land warrants issued by the United States 5 are receivable under the act of twenty-second March, 6 eighteen hundred and fifty-two; but no such certificate shall 7 issue until the first day of November next, and warrants 8 shall be received at the Department of the Interior until 9 that day; and if the amount then filed shall exceed eight 10 hundred and fifty thousand acres, the Commissioner of the 11 General Land Office shall apportion the said eight hundred 12 13 and fifty thousand acres among the warrants which may 14 then be on file, in satisfaction thereof. 1 Sect. 3. And be it further enacted, That the said

SECT. 3. And be it further enacted, That the said certificates of scrip shall issue to the parties who performed the military service for which said warrants issued, their heirs or devisees, and be delivered to them or their attorneys, and be assignable in such manner and form as the Commissioner of the General Land Office may prescribe.

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Sect. 4. And be it further enacted, That if the quantity of warrants which may be filed on the first day of November next, shall not amount to eight hundred and fifty thousand acres, so much of the same as may be necess-

- 5 sary, shall be applied to make good the deficiency existing
  6 under the aforesaid act of March third, eighteen hundred
  7 and thirty-five, by reason of the apportionment of six hun8 dred and fifty thousand acres to the warrants filed under
  9 said act, and which warrants exceeded the amount of land
  10 appropriated by said act.
  - Sect. 5. And be it further enacted, That the appro-1 priation herein made, shall be deemed and taken in full 2 satisfaction of all claims made or to be made by the State 3 of Virginia for bounty lands promised by that State to her 4 officers, soldiers, seamen and marines for services in the 5 war of the revolution, in conformity with the resolutions 6 passed at the present session of the General Assembly of 7 that State. 8